IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-18 are presented below, with claims 1-7 and 9-18 pending. As shown below, claims 1, 5-7, 10, and 12-15 have been amended, and new claims 16-18 have been added.

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1. (Currently Amended) An information signal transmission system comprising:

a first device and a second device connected in a network for providing a predetermined information signal through the first and second devices; and

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recipient detecting means for detecting a recipient of the information signal and generating identification information identifying the detected recipient;

wherein the system continuously provides the information signal to the recipient by switching from providing the information signal to the recipient through the first device to providing the information signal to the recipient through the second device using the identification information, and

~~wherein the information signal that has been supplied to the recipient by the first device is continuously supplied to the recipient by the second device, based on the result detected by the recipient detecting means,~~

~~wherein in order to switch from~~ in switching from providing the information signal ~~the supply of a video signal~~ by the first device to providing the information signal ~~the supply of the video signal~~ by the second device ~~based on the result detected by the recipient detecting means~~, the information signal is provided by ~~supply of the video signal by the second devices starts after a predetermined duration of time during which the video signals are supplied by~~ both the first and second devices for a predetermined duration of time and after the predetermined duration of

time has ended the information signal is provided by the second device and is not provided by the first device.

2. (Original) An information signal transmission system according to Claim 1, wherein each of the first and second devices comprises an information signal output unit for outputting the information signal, wherein the information signal comprises the one collected by predetermined information signal acquisition means.

3. (Original) An information signal transmission system according to Claim 2, wherein the second device switches the operation of the information signal acquisition means based on the result detected by the recipient detecting means so that the second device continuously provides the recipient with the information signal that has been provided by the first device.

4. (Original) An information signal transmission system according to Claim 2, wherein the first device switches the operation of the information signal acquisition means based on the results detected by the recipient detecting means so that the second device continuously provides the recipient with the information signal that has been provided by the first device.

5. (Currently Amended) An information signal transmission system according to claim 1, wherein the identification information is received by the recipient detecting means in ~~detects the recipient of the information signal, based on identification information added to~~ a remote control signal.

6. (Currently Amended) An information signal transmission system according to Claim 1, wherein the identification information is received by the recipient detecting means through ~~detects the recipient of the information signal, based on~~ the operation of controls arranged in the first device and/or the second device.

7. (Currently Amended) An information signal transmission system according to Claim 1, wherein the recipient detecting means ~~comprising~~comprises:

speech signal acquisition means for acquiring a speech signal of the recipient of the information signal; and

speech signal recognition means for identifying the recipient based on the speech signal;~~,~~

wherein the recipient of the information signal is detected based on the recognition result given by the speech signal recognition means and the identification information is based on the recognition result.

8. (Canceled)

9. (Previously Presented) An information signal transmission system according to Claim 1, wherein the information signal is constituted by a video signal, and information signal acquisition means holds an image, corresponding to the video signal, as a still image.

10. (Currently Amended) An information signal transmission system according to Claim 1, wherein the information signal includes a video signal. ~~comprising a first device and a second~~

~~device connected in a network for providing a predetermined information signal through the first and second devices, and~~

~~recipient detecting means for detecting a recipient of the information signal,~~

~~wherein the information signal that has been supplied to the recipient by the first device is continuously supplied to the recipient by the second device, based on the result detected by the recipient detecting means,~~

~~wherein the information signal is constituted by a video signal, and the information signal transmission system switches from the supply of a video signal by the first device to the supply of a video signal by the second device based on the detected result given by the recipient detecting means, the supply of the video signal by the second device starts after a predetermined duration of time during which the supply of the video signals by both the first and second devices is suspended.~~

11. (Original) An information signal transmission system according to Claim 2, wherein the information signal acquisition means comprises a reproducing device for reproducing a video signal recorded in a predetermined recording medium.

12. (Currently Amended) An information signal transmission system according to Claim 1, further comprising a remote control device, wherein the remote control device adds to a remote control signal an identification code identifying the recipient of the information signal and the remote control device transmits by a wireless transmission the ~~a~~ remote control signal ~~to which is added an identification code identifying the recipient of the information signal~~.

13. (Currently Amended) An information providing device for providing a predetermined information signal supplied through a network by an information reproducing device, the information providing device comprising:

recipient detecting means for detecting a recipient of the information signal; and

control means for reporting, after the recipient physically moves, to the information reproducing device through the network, control information for continuously providing the recipient detected by the recipient detecting means with the information signal that has been provided to the recipient by another information providing device;

wherein the recipient detecting means determines that the recipient has physically moved.

14. (Currently Amended) A continuous supply control method of an information providing device for providing a predetermined information signal supplied through a network by an information reproducing device, the method comprising:

the process step of detecting a recipient of the information signal; and

the process step of reporting, after the recipient physically moves, to the information reproducing device through the network, control information for continuously providing the recipient detected in the recipient detecting step with the information signal that has been provided to the recipient by another information providing device;

wherein the recipient detecting means determines that the recipient has physically moved.

15. (Currently Amended) A medium that stores a continuous supply control program of an information providing device for providing a predetermined information signal supplied through

a network by an information reproducing device, the continuous supply control program executable by the information providing device and comprising:

a process step of detecting a recipient of the information signal; and

the process step of reporting, after the recipient physically moves, to the information reproducing device through the network, control information for continuously providing the recipient detected in the recipient detecting step with the information signal that has been provided to the recipient by another information providing device;

wherein the recipient detecting means determines that the recipient has physically moved.

16. (New) An information signal transmission system according to Claim 1, wherein:

the system switches from providing the information signal by the first device to providing the information signal by the second device when the recipient detecting means detects that the recipient has sent a control command to the second device using the identification information.

17. (New) An information signal transmission system according to Claim 1, wherein:

the system provides the information signal to the recipient through the first device in response to a first control command received by the first device, the first control command including the identification information; and

the system switches to providing the information signal to the recipient through the second device in response to a second control command received by the second device, the second control command including the identification information.

18. (New) An information signal transmission system according to Claim 1, wherein the recipient is a human user.